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S/OM Requirements on the Reorganization of Industrial Hanagement

On 1 July 1957, Soviet officials drastically reorganized the structure of their economic managerial apparatus. Most industrial ministries were abolished and the organization for central economic planning was strengthened and given new administrative powers. Over 100 regional centers for economic administration (called economic councils) have been established to carry out the new system of regional management embracing more decentralization in the making of managerial decisions.

In the European Satellites and in Communist China, as in the USSR, there also has been some reorganization of economic management in recent years. This is true, particularly, for East Germany, Poland, and Czecho-slovakie.

1. Central Structure

What have been the changes, since 1956, in the central structure of the Sino-Soviet Bloc governments?

- (1) Changes in the Council of Ministers
- (2) Changes in the ministries, directorates, and committees
- (3) Changes in the State Flanning Committee

2. Intermediate regional level

- A. What new agencies have been established to administer subdivisions of the country, for example, economic regions in the USSR, and districts and countles (Bezirke and Kreise) in East Germany?
- B. What functions have been assigned to these sgencies, or what changes in functions have occurred?
- C. Apart from formal assignments, where are the actual responsibilities and functions of these regional subdivisions?
- D. What specific difficulties are these agencies encountering?

3. The management of industrial enterprises

- A. Have managers of industrial enterprises gained more freedom of action under the reorganization, for example in planning?
- B. Do the menagers of enterprises like the new system or organization?
- C. That new powers have the enterprise managers over:
 - (1) Control over production
 - (2) Control over their finances
 - (3) Coutrol over parsonnel

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- A. How have the reorganizations affected labor-management relations with respect to redultment, powers over dismissal?
- Fo Have the recreativetions had any effect on labor unions as such! If so, what her been this effect?

5. Repromis Flancing

- A. What changes have accorred in the planning process as a result of the recognitivation?
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 - (2) Which priver over plancing are not exercised by regional east local plancing excepts:
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- B. How placestan bone code may were effectives as a penalt of the treaty of a transfer

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